#### § 922.321

# Subpart—Grade and Size Regulation

### §922.321 Apricot Regulation 21.

(a) On and after August 1, 1981, no handler shall handle any container of apricots unless such apricots meet the following applicable requirements, or are handled in accordance with para-

graph (a)(3) of this section:

- (1) Minimum grade and maturity requirements. Such apricots that grade not less than Washington No. 1 and are at least reasonably uniform in color: Provided, That the grade requirement shall not apply to apricots handled from June 15, 1996, through March 31, 1997; Provided further, That such apricots of the Moorpark variety in open containers shall be generally well matured; and
- (2) Minimum size requirements. Such apricots measure not less than 15% inches in diameter except that apricots of the Blenheim, Blenril, and Tilton varieties may measure not less than 114 inches: Provided, That not more than 10 percent, by count, of such apricots may fail to meet the applicable minimum diameter requirements.
- (3) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, any individual shipment of apricots which meets each of the following requirements may be handled without regard to the provisions of this paragraph, of §922.41 (Assessments), and of §922.55 (Inspection and Certification):
- (i) The shipment consists of apricots sold for home use and not for resale;
- (ii) The shipment does not, in the aggregate, exceed 500 pounds, net weight, of apricots; and
- (iii) Each container is stamped or marked with the words "not for resale" in letters at least one-half inch in height.
- (b) The terms diameter and Washington No. 1 shall have the same meaning as when used in the State of Washington Department of Agriculture Standards for Apricots, effective May 31, 1966; reasonably uniform in color means that the apricots in the individual container do not show sufficient variation in color to materially affect the general appearance of the apricots; and generally well matured means that with respect to not less than 90 per-

cent, by count, of the apricots in any lot of containers, and not less than 85 percent, by count, of such apricots in any container in such lot, at least 40 percent of the surface area of the fruit is at least as yellow as Shade 3 on U.S. Department of Agriculture Standard Ground Color Chart of Apples and Pears in Western States.

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